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1. FOLLOWING FURTHER CONVERSATION WITH ADMIRAL TREBESCH AND STEINHAUS ON NOV 3, DEFENSE MINISTRY MBFR DEPT CHIEF TANDECKI INFORMED EMBOFF NOV 5 THAT FRG WAS PREPARED TO ACCEPT TOTAL NATO TANK FIGURE OF 6,000 AND TOTAL WARSAW PACT TANK FIGURE OF 15,500 FOR USE WITH THE EAST IN THE NEGOTIATIONS, AND AS NEEDED, WITH THE PRESS. GERMAN DEFENSE MINISTRY ALSO WILL ADAPT FIGURES IN NEXT DEFENSE WHITE BOOK ACCORDINGLY. TANDECKI SAID THIS GERMAN AGREEMENT WOULD BE ON THE UNDERSTANDING, HOWEVER, THAT WESTERN SPOKESMAN WOULD REMARK BOTH WITH THE EAST AND IF POSSIBLE VIS-A-VIS THE PRESS THAT THE NATO AND WARSAW PACT FIGURES OF 6,000 AND 15,500 COVER ONLY TANKS IN ACTIVE UNITS AND DID NOT TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION TANKS HELD IN RESERVE OR STORAGE ON BOTH SIDES. TANDECKI SAID HE HOPED USG COULD AGREE WITH THIS UNDERSTANDING. FRG NATO, AND MBFR DELS ARE BEING INSTRUCTED AS ABOVE TODAY.

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2. COMMENT.

TANDECKI PLANS TO VISIT THE
EMBASSY LATER TODAY TO PROVIDE MORE DETAILED GERMAN

DEFENSE MINISTRY UNDERSTANDING OF TANKS BEING HELD IN
RESERVE OR STORAGE. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER FOLLOWING
THIS MEETING.
HILLENBRAND

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